

Gaffey Street In San Pedro Is Open

Gaffey street in San Pedro is now open all the way from Point Firmin to the junction of Anaheim boulevard and Vermont avenue. Reports the touring department of the National Automobile Club. The bridge at Crestwood avenue has not yet been constructed and a very rough detour about a block long is necessary. Aside from the detour, the road is fine wide pavement.

Beautiful views of San Pedro harbor and surrounding country are to be enjoyed from this route as it extends through San Pedro without touching the congested business district.

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Erection of Sign Waits On Opinion of County Counsel

Opinion of the county counsel's office as to whether overhead street signs are permitted will be awaited by the board of supervisors before it approves a request of the city of Torrance to erect a pole and an anchor to support the Neon sign at the corner of Carson and Main streets.

George Jones, county road commissioner, stated his department had no objections to erecting the pole and anchor in the right-of-way, as requested by City Engineer F. R. Leonard. Supervisor John R. Quinn said he was of the opinion that there was now a state law which governed the suspension of signs above highways.

Little Daughter of Bill Malin Injured

Little Mildred Malin, 4-year-old daughter of Traffic Officer William Malin, 1870 Plaza del Amo, received a cut on her head and was knocked unconscious yesterday when she was struck by a car driven by Miss Marie Hatzsch. The child was not seriously hurt.

Miss Mary Haig, of the Haig & Haig Photo Studio, reported to police that her car had sideswiped a boy on a bicycle on Andree avenue yesterday. Neither boy, bicycle or car was damaged. The youth's name was not learned.

NOTICE OF INTENTION
Russell E. Roberts, 23, 1739 Andree avenue, Torrance, and Geraldine Smith, 20, 1235 Catalina street, Los Angeles.

Council Would Revoke Business License of Cafe

Notice of the city's intention to revoke the business license of the Mexican Cafe operated by Virginia S. Espargza at the Pueblo, was ordered served by the city council Tuesday night on recommendation of the police department. The owner will be given a hearing at the next regular meeting of the council.

HELD TO ANSWER
Jack Hensley, arrested recently on a charge of drunk driving, was held to the superior court in bonds of \$500 which he furnished, when he was given a hearing before Judge C. T. Rippey in the city police court Tuesday.

Local Dancing Students Doing Excellent Work

Norma Levy Wins Unstinted Praise of Instructors At Angeles School

Miss Flo Flegal and Wm. H. Walters, directors of the Angeles School of Dancing, who conduct classes in their Torrance Branch Studio in the Woman's clubhouse every Saturday at 10 a. m., state that they have found an exceptionally large number of clever kiddies among their Torrance students. Miss Flegal, who was formerly a featured dancer on the New York stage, states that one of her pupils, little 6-year-old Norma Levy, is doing exceptional work for a child of such tender years. Miss Levy is rapidly mastering the steps for an intricate tap dance.

Students in the advanced acrobatic class, under the direction of Mr. Walters, include Misses Barbara Kipp, Margaret Hedrick, Barbara Neff, Joan Blackhall and Helene Evans.

Miss Flegal and Mr. Walters are widely known in professional circles having toured the leading vaudeville circuits before founding their Angeles school.

Public Schools Week Observed Week of Apr. 23

Masonic Fraternity Will Participate In State-wide Event

SAN FRANCISCO.—The annual observance of public schools week, held during the past 14 years in the last week of April, will this year again have as participants the 140,000 members of the Masonic fraternity in this state, according to a proclamation issued in this city today by James B. Gist of Los Angeles, grand master of Masons of California.

The week's activities, which have become a community event in practically every section of the state, have the co-operation of the parent-teacher groups, the American Legion, chambers of commerce and service, social and civic organizations.

The observance begins this year on April 23.

"The United States commissioner of education, George F. Zook," states "Gist in his proclamation requesting Masonic support for the week, 'has expressed the belief that this year more than at any other in our current history, of quality, and even the communities is at stake; and that we are in the grip of a social difficulty from which we shall extricate ourselves only with great effort and pain.'"

"Everywhere throughout the country generally not only in the rural areas, but as well in the cities, where schools have not been closed the terms have been shortened, classes have been increased in size and some of the most valuable educational opportunities have been materially restricted.

"The situation prevailing in some of the rural districts throughout the nation is tragic. For lack of funds almost 2000 rural schools failed to open last fall. There are approximately 18,000 which will remain open for not more than six months; and of these there are 700 in which the school term will not exceed three months. As a result of this situation there are over a million children in the rural communities who this year are either being entirely denied educational opportunities or are grievously handicapped by reason of the greatly shortened school term."

Keeping Up With Torrance High

The journalism class is promoting the bond issue by publishing an article in the Daily News emphasizing the importance of voting for the bonds. The class has done its utmost to stress the necessity of the bonds, and hopes that their efforts will not be in vain.

The annual World Friendship Federation banquet will be held tomorrow night, March 16, at the First Congregational church in Los Angeles. The theme of the banquet is to be "The Spirit of Geneva." Dr. Jaques, president of Scripps College, will be the speaker of the evening. A Pageant of the Nations will complete the program. About 15 members of the local World Friendship Club are planning to attend.

The presidents of the various clubs and classes of Torrance High have been organized into a "Presidents' forum." They are studying deliberative assembly, the object of this being to improve the order of the various meetings.

Irish and Japanese mixed last Thursday night in the program of the World Friendship meeting. Mr. Haig, a teacher of the high school, Bill Burkert and Dick Sinclair, each rendered some typical Irish songs. A short talk was given by Toshiko Mishioka on the Japanese "Doll Festival" and Mrs. Onodora, Dorothy Nagayama and Toshiko Mishioka presented a "ceremonial tea." After the program, wafers and green punch (reverting back to the Irish) were served.

The ten-minute homeroom period, which has formerly been held immediately after lunch every day, is to be discontinued. This was thought to be unnecessary, and instead there will be a 20-minute period every Friday. In this time the bulletin is read and class problems discussed.

Federal Aid Is Asked For U.C.R.A.

A plea for federal aid for the various Unemployed Co-operative Relief Associations today was being considered by R. C. Brandon, state emergency relief director, at the request of the board of supervisors.

In a telegram dispatched late Monday afternoon, the supervisors asked that steps be taken to provide the associations with federal funds sufficient to provide the necessary staple groceries until definite action was taken on the grant applications of the co-operatives.

The telegram recited that all funds used for relief in Los Angeles county are either federal or state funds and that a section of the revised rules on grants now permits the use of federal funds, by special arrangement.

Settlement Out of Court Looms In Keith Contest

Possibility of a settlement out of court in the contest to the will of the late Margaret A. Keith, wealthy spinster of Beverly Hills and Palms Verdes, was reported yesterday as the superior court prepared to set a new trial date for the case that resulted in a deadlocked jury last week. The seven women and five men deliberated for 26 hours but could not agree on the sanity of the woman into whose life attorneys delved for three months.

One of the longest cases in the county's courts for the past two years, the jurors have seen 1932 pass out and 1934 come in, and have seen winter make a hasty exit and spring an early entrance. The trial began early last December.

Felony Charge Against Woman Is Not Pressed

Preliminary hearing in the case against Harold and Hazel Wearne, 511 West Cedar street, Compton, who were arrested last week on a charge of burglary, resulted in the dismissal of the charges against Harold Wearne and the reduction of the burglary charge to one of petty theft against the woman defendant when the case was called in the Lomita township justice court on Tuesday, March 13.

As a result Mrs. Wearne was given a fine of \$100 or 50 days, all of which was suspended for six months on condition that she keep away from the complainant, William Dawson.

Although Mrs. Wearne was informed by the district attorney that if she took the stand in her own defense at the preliminary hearing, anything she might say could be used against her if the case was carried to superior court, Mrs. Wearne testified. Her story placed an interesting light on the complexities of the case. She alleged, in response to questioning, that for five years prior to the marriage of Dawson and herself to other parties she had acted as Dawson's housekeeper. She further alleged that during this time she had received no remuneration for her services, but that as she believed the articles which she had been accused of taking from Dawson's home had been purchased for her and were her own property. Respecting the dress belonging to Mrs. Dawson, which had been found in her possession, she admitted that she had taken it.

Dawson, in court with his young and attractive wife, was given an opportunity to refute the woman's story, but in view of all the testimony, the prosecuting attorney asked the reduction of charges against Mrs. Wearne, who pleaded guilty to petty theft and was released under suspended sentence.

Fiesta At Pueblo Draws Large Crowd

A large crowd attended the fiesta at the Pueblo Saturday afternoon and evening, when the new playground, just opened to that section, was thrown open to the residents of that community. A fine orchestra of 15 pieces was brought down from Los Angeles to furnish music during the afternoon and for dancing in the evening. An Indian chief gave some exhibitions of Indian dances, and the Pueblo residents and many visitors from Torrance and other communities enjoyed the programs.

The affair was arranged by Coach Bernard Donahue, in charge of playground work in Torrance, assisted by Miss Josephine Odell, with Director R. R. Smith as general superintendent.

Appointment of Kingsley Okeyed By Board Tuesday

Appointment of W. Harold Kingsley, former Torrance and Long Beach newspaperman, as assistant superintendent of charities in charge of public utility, made Tuesday by Superintendent Earl E. Jensen, is one of few high civil service appointments not made by the board of supervisors.

Kingsley was selected by Jensen and Supervisor John R. Quinn several months ago to handle all publicity pertaining to the charities department. Subsequently the civil service test was arranged and Kingsley received the highest rating.

Assault Charge Is Filed Against Lomita Resident

Lewis Dischner, residing at Woodland and 250th street, Lomita, was arraigned in the Lomita township justice court on Monday on a charge of assault to commit great bodily injury, preferred by Thomas B. Lynch, age 69, a resident of the same neighborhood. The alleged assault is said to have occurred on Saturday. Preliminary hearing of the case was set for Monday, March 19, at 10 o'clock.

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